

## House Resolution 1522

By: Representatives Houston of the 170<sup>th</sup> and Shaw of the 176<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commemorating the 150th anniversary of Berrien County; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, this year, Berrien County is proud to be marking its sesquicentennial  
3 anniversary, celebrating 150 years of rich heritage; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the 116th county in Georgia, it was formed by an Act of the General Assembly  
5 in February, 1856, from parts of Coffee, Irwin, and Lowndes counties and named in honor  
6 of the famous statesman John McPherson Berrien; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Berrien County is home to some of the state's most delightful small towns,  
8 including its county seat, Nashville, Alapaha, Ray City, and the uniquely named Town of  
9 Enigma; and
- 10 WHEREAS, throughout its history, Berrien County has enjoyed a prosperous agricultural  
11 industry, with one of Georgia's first post roads opening in the area in 1823 to enable residents  
12 to send their crops to Florida; today, the county's agricultural economy is concentrated in  
13 tobacco, corn, soybeans, peanuts, cotton, vegetables, hogs, beef, and forest products; and
- 14 WHEREAS, with its natural beauty, charming Southern towns, and hard-working, value  
15 minded citizens, Berrien County has a wide and enduring appeal, and Georgia has been very  
16 blessed to have this wonderful community in its midst for 150 years.
- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
18 the members of this body join in commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of  
19 Berrien County and express their very best wishes for many more years of prosperity for this  
20 jewel of South Georgia.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
2 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Berrien County Board  
3 of Commissioners.